(b) the quantity of crude oil imported in the country during the last three years, year-wise; and

(c) the average price paid per tonne during each of the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BRAHM DUTT): (a):

Period	Amount of royalty (Rs. in lakhs)
1983-84	1926·79
1984-85	7447·78
1985-86	8189·75

(b) and (c):

Year	Quantity (Million tonne)	CIF value Rs/tonne
1983-84 . . .	15·97	2218
1984-85 . . .	13·64	2515
1985-86 (Provisional) . . .	15·14	2435

Cases of compensation to the Bhopal Gas Tragedy victims

*74. SHRI AJIT P. K. JOGI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) what is the latest position regarding settlement of the compensation cases of the unfortunate victims of Bhopal Gas Tragedy;

(b) in view of the fact that litigation will take a very long time for the settlement of these claims whether Government are thinking in terms of any other mode of the settlement of these claims; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereto?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) to (c) The Union of India has filed a suit in the Court of District Judge, Bhopal against Union Carbide Corporation in September, 1986, claiming compensation for the Bhopal gas tragedy victims and the same is being vigorously followed up. The court has issued a non-destruct order applicable to both the parties and has also directed the Union Carbide Corporation to maintain unencumbered assets of a fair market value of $ 3 billion to meet the decree if any, that may be passed by the court.

The court has also put forth to the parties a proposal for reconciliatory substantial interim relief to the gas victims and the matter is pending in the court. The next date for hearing in the case has been fixed for 6th May, 1987.

Industrial units under Central Sector in Karnataka and Maharashtra

*75. SHRI M. S. GURUPADA-SWAMY:

SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the industrial units in the central or centrally sponsored sectors set up in the States of Karnataka and Maharashtra during the last three years; and

(b) the investment made in these units during the above period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC ENTERPRISES IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (PROF. K. K. TEWARY): (a) and (b) Videsh Sanchar Nigam Ltd. was established in Maharashtra in April 1986, with an authorised Capital of Rs. 100 crores. The details of units in the